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In re Patent Application of:
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For: **METHOD OF REDUCING SURFACE
CONTAMINATION IN SEMICONDUCTOR
WET-PROCESSING VESSELS**

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. § 1.116)

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated January 30, 2004 (Paper No. 20040122), finally rejecting claims 1, 6, 7, 9, 10, 15, 22, 25, 44, 61-64, 66, and 67, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are shown beginning on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 19 of this paper.